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SUBJECT: CG'S VISIT TO ARCHANGEL

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1. EMBASSY FILES WOEFULLY THIN ON PAPER AND CELLULOSE
INDUSTRY AND CONTAIN NOTHING SPECIFICALLY ON ARCHANGEL
AREA. EK. GAZ 33 ARTICLE SAYS CAPITAL INVESTMENT IN
THE PAPER INDUSTRY FOR 10TH FYP WILL BE 1.5 TIMES
THAT OF 9TH, WHICH WE ADD UP TO R 2421 MILLION. AS
MAJOR EMPHASIS IS ON NEW FACILITIES IN SIBERIA, ESPEC-
IALLY UST'-ILLIMSK, IT MIGHT BE OF INTEREST TO FIND
OUT MORE ABOUT INVESTMENT PLAN IN ARCHANGEL AREA,
PARTICULARLY IN TERMS OF REPAIR, RENOVATION AND REPLACE-
MENT OF OLDER MACHINERY.

2. ACCORDING TO SAME EK.GAZ. ARTICLE, SOVIET CELLULOSE
AND PAPER PRODUCTION IN RECENT YEARS HAS RUN AS FOLLOWS
(IN THOUSANDS OF TONS):

YEAR -- 1970 1975 1976 1977 1978 PLAN

CELLULOSE 5110 6815 7204 7448 7825
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PAPER -- 4185 5215 5389 5458 5545

3. AS CELLULOSE AND PAPER INDUSTRIES ARE HEAVY USERS
OF WATER, THIS MIGHT OPEN UP QUESTION OF LOCAL WATER
RESOURCES, CONSERVATION, AND POLLUTION PREVENTION.
ALSO QUESTIONS WE PROVIDED REGARDING SHALE OIL AND

POWER PLANTS IN REF B COULD BE ADAPTED TO PAPER AND
CELLULOSE PLANTS BY CHANGING THE NAMES OF THE EQUIPMENT
ASKED ABOUT. TOON

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